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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A portable picture storage device comprising:
- an input for receiving a plurality of pictures;
- a storage area for storing the plurality of pictures; and
- a plurality of user interface indicators, wherein each indicator is associated with a respective meta data of a plurality of meta data, and each meta data indicates at least one disposition of a plurality of dispositions;

wherein at least one picture of the plurality of pictures, via activation of an indicator, is associated with a meta data and thereby at least one disposition.

- The portable picture storage device of claim 1 wherein:
 the one picture is associated with the meta data during storage into the device.
- 3. The portable picture storage device of claim 1 wherein the at least one disposition is selected from the group consisting of:

printing, storing to another storage area, e-mailing to a recipient, image processing, and deleting.

- The portable picture storage device of claim 1 wherein:
 the device is a camera and the input is a lens imaging system.
- The portable picture storage device of claim 1 wherein:
 the device is a scanner and the input is a scanning mechanism.

6. The portable picture storage device of claim 1 wherein:

the device is coupled to a computer system, which receives the one picture, and processes the one picture according to the meta data associated with the one picture.

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7. A system for managing disposition of a plurality of pictures, comprising:

an input means for receiving a plurality of pictures;

a storage means for storing the plurality of pictures; and

means for indicating at least one disposition of a plurality of dispositions:

wherein at least one picture of the plurality of pictures, via the means for indicating, is associated with said at least one disposition of the plurality of dispositions.

8. The system of claim 7 wherein:

the one picture is associated with the at least one disposition during storage into the device.

The system of claim 7 wherein the at least one disposition is selected from the group consisting of:

printing, storing to another storage area, e-mailing to a recipient, image processing, and deleting.

10. The system of claim 7 wherein:

the system is a camera.

11. The system of claim 7 wherein:

the system is a scanner.

12. The system of claim 7 further comprising:

coupling means for connecting the system to a computer, wherein the computer includes means for receiving the one picture, and means for processing the one picture according to the at least one disposition associated with the one picture.

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A method for managing disposition of a plurality of pictures, comprising:
 receiving a plurality of pictures;

storing the plurality of pictures; and

associating an indication of at least one disposition of a plurality of dispositions with

at least one picture of the plurality of pictures.

14. The method of claim 13 wherein:

the step of associating is operative with the step of storing.

15. The method of claim 13 wherein the dispositions are selected from the group consisting of:

printing, storing to another storage area, e-mailing to a recipient, image processing, and deleting.

16. The method of claim 13 further comprising:

connecting the system to a computer;

receiving, by the computer, the one picture;

processing, by the computer, the one picture according to the at least one disposition associated with the one picture.